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Mattapoisett Descendant Visits Historic Sites

By Natalie Hemingway

On a bright and sunny Friday afternoon in June, Michael D. Coe of New Haven, CT, paid a visit to the sites in Mattapoisett where members of his family had lived many, many years ago. In the early 1800s, three brothers from Martha's Vineyard came to Mattapoisett to seek employment in the shipbuilding trade. Abishai, Libni and Moores Rogers built their homes along Main Street and started their ship-building lives on the mainland. Mr. Coe is the great-great-great grandson of Abishai and Abishai was the grandfather of Henry Huttleston Rogers, Fairhaven's Standard Oil benefactor.

Mr. Coe visited the Abishai Rogers home on Main Street in Mattapoisett during his recent trip and was welcomed very warmly by Valerie Murolo, who allowed Mr. Coe to take whatever photos he wished. Mr. Coe had not realized that these Rogers sites were still in place and he remarked that he thought that Mattapoisett must have the most old houses of any town in the state.

While in Mattapoisett village, Mr. Coe also paid a visit to Center School, as the original school was built in 1899 as a gift to the town by his great-grandfather, Henry

Huttleston Rogers.

Included in the family history was the fact that H. H. Rogers had attended the Olive Branch One-Room School House in his very early school years. Mr. Coe had the opportunity to see that marvelous old building, now named the Goodspeed Memorial, that had been moved



Above: Mattapoisett Historical Museum Curator Bette Roberts poses in front of a few of the historic gravestones on display at the Mattapoisett museum. Ms. Roberts recently gave a guided tour and talk on the Barlow Burying Ground in Mattapoisett. (Photo by Nancy MacKenzie).



Above: Mattapoisett Town Accountant Suzanne Szyndlar (left) and Town Clerk Barbara Sullivan (right) were both recently honored with state certifications for their respective positions. Ms. Szyndlar has been named "Certified Government Accountant (CGA)" by the Massachusetts Municipal Auditors' and Accountants' Association, Inc. (MMAAA), and Ms. Sullivan was named "Certified Municipal Clerk" (CMC) by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC). (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).

On the cover: Michael D. Coe of New Haven, CT, a descendant of Henry Huttleston Rogers, poses in front of the plaque honoring his famous beneficent ancestor at Center School in Mattapoisett during a recent trip to visit all the sites in town related to his family's rich history. (Photo courtesy of Natalie Hemingway).

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many years ago to its present location across from Center School.

Also included in his Mattapoisett family history, Mr. Coe was related to George Washington Gifford, who had a shipyard in the late 1700s along the Mattapoisett River that was located "a few rods below the Herring Weir, on the east side of the river." Captain Gifford and wife Judith Palmer's son Peleg was born in Mattapoisett and he married Amelia L. Hammond of the town who was the daughter of Gideon Hammond II and Rebecca Blossom. Captain Peleg and Amelia were the parents of Abby Palmer Gifford, who married Henry Huttleston Rogers.

Mr. Coe enjoyed his stop at Mattapoisett's Herring Weir to imagine where the old Gifford Shipyard might have been. He was very taken by the beautiful sight of the Mattapoisett River and immensely enjoyed his visit to Mattapoisett and his family's rich history.

Stories in Stone

Buried Secrets of Barlow Burial Ground

By Nancy MacKenzie

If you are interested in learning more about the history of Mattapoisett and the people who lived here, Bette Roberts, Curator of the Mattapoisett Museum, suggests visiting one of several old cemeteries in the area.

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opportunity to take a look into the past. Ms. Roberts has been conducting tours of Mattapoisett cemeteries for the past five years. Each spring she selects a cemetery to explore, and shares her extensive knowledge of the tri-town area during a walking tour.

In addition to the Barlow Burying Ground, the Hammond, Cushing, Pine Island, Wolf Island, Friends Meeting House, and Saint Anthony's are other cemeteries to be explored.

According to Ms. Roberts, there were three original families who settled in Mattapoisett in the early 1700s, the Hammonds, the Dexters, and the Barlows. The Barlow Burying Ground is the cemetery located closest to the old Barlow farm. Records reveal that about 173 people are

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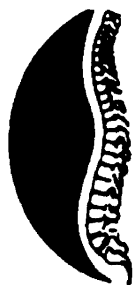
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buried here. Although most of the headstones are missing, there are still several dozen that provide a glimpse into the past.

A close look at the headstones reveals carvings and engravings that were etched into the field stone or granite commonly used to mark graves. The engraving of pictures, symbols, and decorative borders on gravestones was a skilled and highly popular practice in Puritan New England, said Ms. Roberts. Engravers could easily earn a living by securing 15 to 20 commissions each year.

Some of the more popular symbols that can be seen on the cemetery headstones include angels, hour-glasses, skeletons, and urns. All have symbolic meaning and were specifically chosen by the families of the deceased to represent a loved one's passing. Ms. Roberts explained that angels symbolized confidence in the salvation of loved one, whereas a skeleton or "Death's Head" suggested a fear and awe of dying.

The Barlow Burying Ground includes members of the original three families and many others. There are 18 children buried in the cemetery who were under the age of one, and 25 adults over the age of 65. These bits of information provide a glimpse into what life may have been like for residents of early Mattapoisett, a community largely comprised of farmers, shipwrights, and merchants.

The names on the headstones are also interesting. Bashaba, Meiora, Tabathy and Bathsheba were common

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names for women, while Gideon, Ebenezer and Lot were typical names for men.

Ms. Roberts started the tours because she "thought people should know about the old cemeteries and the people who were buried there." There is no charge for the walking tours.

According to Ms. Roberts, there are many descendants from the Dexter family still living in town, but "no Barlows or Hammonds that we know of."

Ms. Roberts encouraged residents and visitors to come to the Mattapoisett Historical Museum. There are several headstones from the cemetery on display in the Carriage House, located behind the museum. "It's amazing how many people walk by the museum, but have never been inside before," she said. Mattapoisett was home of the bark *Wanderer*, the last whaling ship built in Mattapoisett and also the last to sail from New Bedford. You can learn more about the history of the town by exploring the exhibits on display in the museum.

The museum is open Wednesday through Saturday, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in July and August. Admission



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For more information about the museum or the old cemeteries, please contact Bette Roberts at 508-758-2844.

Staying Safe

Learning Self-Defense in Rochester

By Nancy MacKenzie

Rochester Police Officer Robert Small is helping tri-town women stay safe in an ongoing women's self-defense program held at the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School in Rochester.

The four-part program, run for four consecutive Wednesday nights, begins with teaching participants how to avoid situations in which they may become endangered. Officer Small suggested that "women should learn to recognize potential problems to avoid a bad situation."

Such "risk reduction strategies" include installing and using outdoor lighting around your home, making sure bushes are not blocking the front of the house, keeping garage doors shut, and checking the back seat of your car before driving.

Officer Small explained perpetrators may "case" a home looking for opportunities to hurt women. Bushes around the house provide excellent hiding places for

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"Most houses that have been broken into don't have alarms," Officer Small said, explaining that alarm systems are a major deterrent to crime. "Be conscious of open windows during the summer months," he added. "If you want to leave windows open during the summer months, make sure they are the upstairs."

Officer Small was assisted by Officer Elizabeth Rich. Both suggested that leaving spare keys in obvious places outside the home is an invitation to crime, and that women should not open the door when a stranger is outside.

"Make sure the police can identify your house easily," said Officer Small. He explained that hidden or missing house numbers make it more difficult for patrol officers to locate a residence in trouble. "Your house should have some kind of number on it," he said, suggesting that residents purchase reflective numbers that can be spotted from the road at night.

The RAD Program, or Rape Aggression Defense System, is the same program used to teach officers in the Police Academy. Although the first night of the program is largely about risk reduction, the next three nights provide hands-on physical training designed to help women fight off potential attackers.

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The RAD Program is designed so that women can learn to prevent and deter potential attacks using self-defense techniques that can be learned in a short time. "What we are trying to do is teach women how to escape an attack," said Officer Rich.

Officer Small explained that "the odds of survival are dramatically diminished when a woman is abducted." He warned program participants not to park near vans

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

June 5, 2006

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, June 5 at 6:12 pm by Chairman Bradford Morse in the cafetorium of Memorial School before the Annual Town Meeting. Also present were Selectman Dan McGaffey, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere. Selectman Richard Nunes was not present for the meeting.

There being no minutes ready for approval, the board next unanimously voted to sign and approve the appointment of Roland Grenier Sr. to the Historic District Commission; the appointment of Paul H. Magee as Constable; the appointment of Gregory Kamon as Constable; and a Flammable Fluid Permit Renewal for Edward Ashley.

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Huntoon advised they recently had a meeting with offi-



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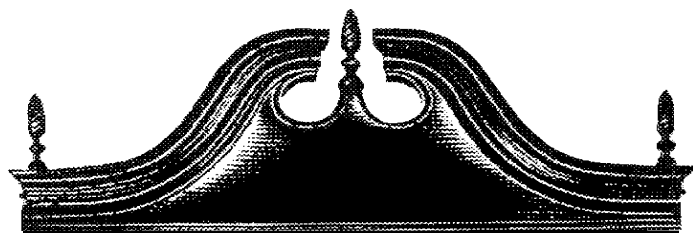


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Police Chief Paul Magee also sent notice to the board that the Police Department purchased 14 new bulletproof vests at a total cost of \$11,200 — \$4,929 from a federal grant and \$6,300 which was allocated from Town Meeting. However, additional state funds were received to offset the cost of the vests, so the final cost to the town is now only \$1,471.

Under Old Business, the board voted to pay an invoice from Town Counsels Perry, Hicks, Crotty and Deshaies, LLP, in the amount of \$12,329.35 for legal services rendered during the month of April 2006.

The board then voted to recess until the Annual Town Meeting later that evening.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

June 6, 2006

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Select-

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men was called to order on Tuesday, June 6 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jonathan Henry. Also present were Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, newly-elected Selectman Roger Blanchette, Town Administrator Jack Dolan, and Secretary Helene Craver.

Chairman Henry first welcomed newly-elected Selectman Roger Blanchette to the board and then the board voted to reorganize for the year as follows: Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Andrew Jeffrey; Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Jonathan Henry; Chairman of Water/Sewer Commissioners Andrew Jeffrey; Clerk of the Board of Selectmen Roger Blanchette; Parking Clerk Roger Blanchette; Representative to the Buzzards Bay Action Committee (BBAC) Andrew Jeffrey;



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I have dragged a string on the floor that he will stalk but it doesn't seem to lessen the ankle attacks. Any other suggestions?

First, I'd avoid letting your cat play with a simple piece of string. If he plays with string when you are not present and swallows some, it may require intestinal surgery to remove it.

If your cat requires more play time than you can provide, consider adopting a kitten. There is no guarantee that they will get along but since your cat is still young he will probably gladly accept a new playmate. Cause for Paws in Mattapoisett and Champs Shelter in Wareham as well as the Animal Rescue League in New Bedford have many kittens available for adoption at this time of year.

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The board first met with Town Treasurer Debra Blanchette at 7:10 pm to discuss the signing of bonds. "There are three notes totaling \$775,000 at a rate of 3.90 percent for the (new Fire Department) ladder truck," Ms. Blanchette said. "These are temporary bonds ... at a low interest rate."

At 7:15 pm the board met with developer John D'Italia and engineer Richard Volkin to discuss the proposed sewer connection on Point Road and River's Edge.

"We've come before you for a verification and confirmation that there are sewer connections available on Point Road," Mr. Volkin said. "We're looking for confirmation from the Water/Sewer Commissioners so the Building Inspector can issue the permits to proceed."

"This is the first I'm hearing of this ... I know you're anxious to proceed but I'd like to consider this and take a vote at our next meeting," said Chairman Jeffrey.



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"We don't have an endorsement from the DPW Superintendent or the Building Inspector," added Selectman Henry. "They're here tonight ... maybe we can get their input."

"There is one water connection and one sewer connection (at that site)," said DPW Superintendent Rob Zora. "There aren't two connections. By the Sewer Rules and Regulations, he's entitled to one connection. If he wants reallocation for more he has to apply to (the Water / Sewer Commissioners)."

The board agreed to table this matter until their next meeting on Tuesday, June 20 at 7:00 pm.

The board next signed and approved the minutes of the May 2, May 15, May 16 and June 5 Selectmen's meetings.

Under Action Items, the board first considered the composition and appointment of members to the Housing Trust Committee. As state law dictates that the three members of the Board of Selectmen are automatically appointees, Selectman Blanchette suggested a seven-member board to balance the three Selectmen's votes. With that, the board unanimously voted that the Housing Trust Committee be comprised of seven total members, with the three Selectmen and four appointees yet to be determined.

The board also approved one-day alcohol licenses for Kellie Thornell at the Music Hall (July 15); the Marion Social Club (June 11, July 9, July 22, August 12, September 2, September 9); Shawn Nolan (July 30); Chloe Martinez

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at the Music Hall (August 20); Wendy Joblon at the Music Hall (March 17, 2007); the Sippican Tennis Club (June 13); and the VFW Post 2425 (June 25, June 26, July 1).

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Dolan advised that Governor Mitt Romney signed legislation earlier that day to allow the Town of Marion to charge residents the lower interest rate — an estimated 2.334 percent — on the sewer betterment project as discussed at the recent Annual Town Meeting. "I think it behooves us to compliment and praise State Representative William Straus and Senator Marc Pacheco for pushing this swiftly through the legislature," Mr. Dolan said.

"I'd also like to commend Mr. Dolan for his diligence and foresight in crafting the language that was sent

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to Representative Straus," Selectman Henry added.

Mr. Dolan also noted the MET Tower has been erected and is up and running at Old Rochester Regional High School. Data from the tower is available online and he plans to provide a link to this information via the town's soon-to-be-unveiled new website.

Lastly, Mr. Dolan said the board needs to authorize acceptance of \$106,156 in Chapter 90 state funds for road repair work, which they unanimously approved.

In other matters, the board:

- Received a letter of resignation from Jean E. Briggs, who is stepping down from her post with the Marion Elderly Housing Committee due to personal commitments.

- Received notice from Shawn and Shamus Nolan that they will be hosting the Second Annual Nolan Scholarship Fund Event at 55 Bullivant Farm Road in Marion from 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm. Last year's benefit raised enough money to award two \$1,000 scholarships to ORR High School students. This year they hope to double that amount. Tickets are \$25 each and are available by calling 508-748-1199. Donations can also be sent payable to: The Nolan Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 996, Marion, MA 02738.

- Received notice from Joseph P. Zora, Commander of the Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), advising that the Annual Fourth of July Parade will be held on Tuesday, July 4, 2006 beginning at 8:00 am in the ballfield behind the Marion Town

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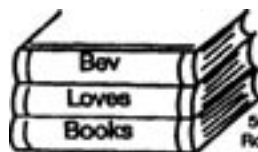
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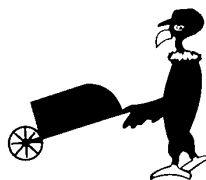
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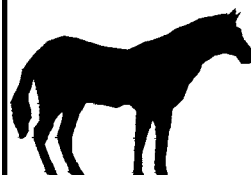
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• Received notice from the Division of Marine Fisheries that all the waters in Marion, Wareham and Bourne are now open to the taking of shellfish after being closed due to excessive rainfall.

There being no further matters to discuss in Open Session, the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 8:05 pm to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and collective bargaining. They would thereafter adjourn for the evening.



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By Kenneth J. Souza

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Mr. Hartley then introduced Ginny Cutler to make a presentation on behalf of the Rochester Scholar-



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ship Committee. Then Jeff Costa, who has raised funds for the Scholarship Committee via an annual yard sale for the past two years, presented scholarship awards to the following: Katharina Rentumis; Katie Jones; Lauren Adamson; and Amy Bieber.

Voters then proceeded to consider the five-article **Special Town Meeting** warrant within the Annual Town Meeting beginning with **ARTICLE 1**, which sought to rescind the town's existing by-law prohibiting the broadcasting and/or recording of Town Meetings. The measure would, in turn, allow the taping and broadcasting of future Town Meetings.

Article 1 passed via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE 2**, voters were asked to transfer



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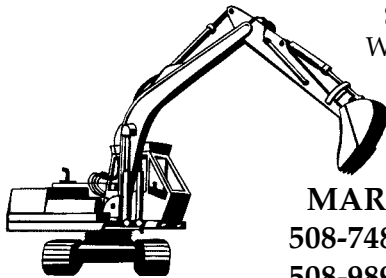
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from the Annual Town Meeting of June 6, 2005, Article 4 Line Item 4-7 Reserve Fund \$17,334.91 to Article 4 Line Item 4-87 Snow Removal Wages \$7,877.30 and to Article 4 Line Item 4-88 Expenses \$9,457.61.

Article 2 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 3**, voters were asked to transfer from the Annual Town Meeting of June 6, 2005 Article 4 Line Item 4-7 Reserve Fund \$22,600 to fund the purchase of a sander cab and chassis for the Highway Department.

Article 3 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 4**, voters were asked to transfer from the Annual Town Meeting of June 6, 2005, Article 4 Line Item 4-19 Treasurer Administrative Assistant to Line Item 4-20 Treasurer Expenses \$1,812 to supplement Line Item 4-20, Treasurer Expenses.

Article 4 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 5**, voters were asked to transfer \$50,000 authorized in Article 15 line item 5-3, Library Repairs, of the June 6, 2005 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of completing the ongoing repairs at the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library.

"This is really the second year of a three-year installment to complete the repairs to the library," said Finance Committee (FinCom) Chairman Michael Costa.

Article 5 passed unanimously.

FinCom Chairman Michael Costa then offered a brief overview of the town's financial status going into the Annual Town Meeting, which is requesting a General Op-

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Turning their attention to the **Annual Town Meeting** warrant, voters began by considering **ARTICLE 1**, which asked voters to accept the annual report of all town officers and committees.

Article 1 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 2**, voters were asked to fix the salaries of the elected officials of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007 as follows: Moderator – Annual Town Meeting: \$100; Moderator – Special Town Meeting: \$50; Board of Selectmen, Chairman: \$4,363; Board of Selectmen, each member: \$3,430; Board of Assessors, each member: \$8,037; Board of Assessors Assessment Administrator: \$15.45 per hour; Town Treasurer: \$19,030; Tax Collector: \$19,030; Town Clerk: \$19,030; Tree Warden: \$573; Constables: \$8.04 per hour; Highway Surveyor: \$60,870; Board of Health, Chairman: \$1,724; Board of Health, each member: \$1,437; and Herring Inspector: \$364.

Article 2 passed, as amended, via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE 3**, voters were asked to amend the town's Classification and Compensation Plan to reflect a 2.5 percent cost of living increase for all positions.

Article 3 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 4**, voters were asked to approve

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After some minor amendments and adjustments to individual budget line items, Article 4 passed via unanimous vote.

Under **ARTICLE 5**, voters were asked to assess an additional \$103,000 for the purpose of funding educational services for the Rochester Memorial School subject to voters approval of an override under the provisions of Chapter 59, Section 21c(g) of the General Laws of Massachusetts.



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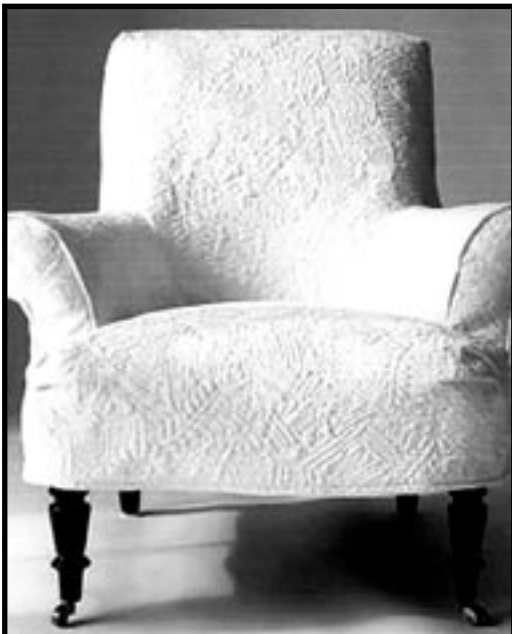
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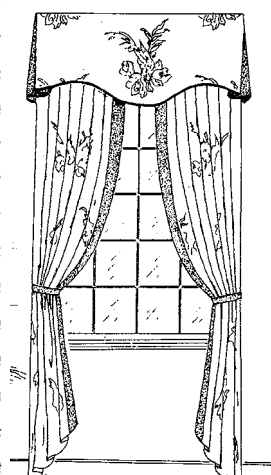


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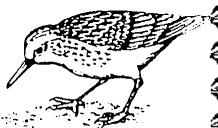
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Article 5 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 6**, voters were asked to transfer \$69,000 from the Overlay Surplus and \$29,000 from Free Cash to purchase a new Assessing System for the Board of Assessors and to upgrade the Electrical System in Town Hall, and also raise and appropriate \$35,000 to make the Town Hall handicap accessible.

Article 6 passed via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE 7**, voters were asked to raise and appropriate \$100,000 for the purpose of road repairs by the Highway Department.

Article 7 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 8**, voters were asked to transfer \$1,471 from Free Cash to fund the following: Planting of Shellfish (Marion): \$300; Silvershell Beach (Marion): \$300; Tri-Town River Commission: \$300; and Buzzards Bay Action Committee (BBAC): \$571.

Article 8 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 9**, voters were asked to transfer \$2,000 from Free Cash for the purposes of funding the New Bedford Women's Shelter for FY 2007.

Article 9 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 10**, voters were asked to transfer \$10,000 from Free Cash for the payment of accumulated sick leave.

"This would be paid out to individuals when they leave (the employ) of the town," said FinCom Chairman Michael Costa. "What we did a few years ago was set

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aside \$10,000 to cover (additional sick time) when they leave."

Article 10 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 11**, voters were asked to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments under Massachusetts General Laws (MGL), Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006.

Article 11 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 12**, voters were asked to authorize the Town of Rochester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with one or more other governmental units to provide public health services which the Board of Health is authorized to perform.

Article 12 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 13**, voters were asked to adopt the so-called Community Preservation Act (CPA) under MGL Chapter 44B, Sections 3 to 7, inclusive and to set a surcharge of one percent on real estate property to fund the town's Community Preservation Fund beginning in FY 2007.

Based on an average home in Rochester valued at \$342,900, the one-percent CPA assessment would cost residents about \$23.99 a year and garner some \$100,000 annually for the town with state matching funds.

"If we pass this, we'll be getting additional matching funds from the state," said Richard Cutler.

"This seems to me (to be) a tax on a tax," said resident Frank Cabral. "Everybody says we get state funding.

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Article 13 passed via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE 14**, voters were asked to establish a nine-member volunteer Rochester Community Preservation Committee as described in the Community Preservation Act, Chapter 44B to study the needs, possibilities and resources of the town and make recommenda-

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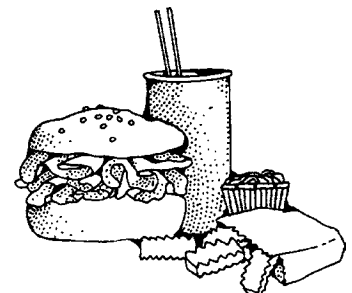
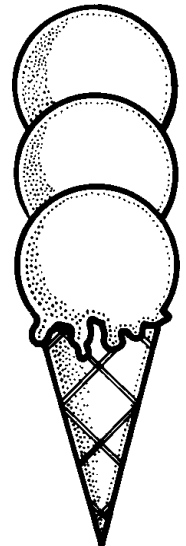
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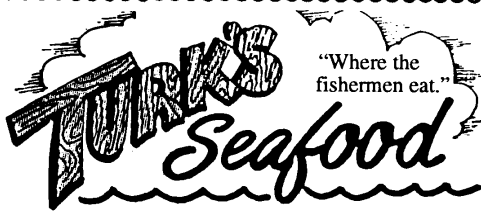
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tions to Town Meeting regarding community preservation in the areas of open space, historic resources, community housing and public recreation.

Article 14 passed via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE 15**, voters were asked, by petition, to rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting dated June 7, 1999 establishing a Historic District Commission and Historic District in the Town of Rochester, thereby eliminating the Rochester Historic District and the Rochester Historic District Commission.

Before any discussion or debate ensued, a preemptive motion was made to table Article 15, which failed, 56 in favor to 97 against.

"I've lived in this town for a long time and I just can't believe the people on the (Historic District Commission) wouldn't let people put up a shed (on their own property)," said resident David Watling. "No one else in town has these restrictions put on them."

"I've got a good idea, maybe the whole town should be an historic district so you all can enjoy the benefits," said resident Tom Strutski, adding a motion to that effect, which failed to garner enough support.

"I am against the Historic District," said former Historic District Commission member Pamela J. Robinson. "I feel if you are paying taxes, you (should) have the right to choose your own style and colors."

But Historic District Commission Chairman Susan Adams countered they were just trying to retain the rural and open character of the town center and none of the applications they received since the commission's inception were restrictive in terms of paint color or building style.

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"I live within the historic district and I support it," said resident Susan Peterson. "This is the reason why we all love Rochester ... the sprawling lawns, the big houses. The Historic District will protect us from losing that."

With that, Article 15 failed to garner the required 2/3 majority vote, 83 to 62.

ARTICLE 16, which would have asked voters to remove Gifford Park and the Dexter Lane Playing Fields/Recreational Facility from the boundaries of the Rochester Historic District, was indefinitely postponed via unanimous vote.

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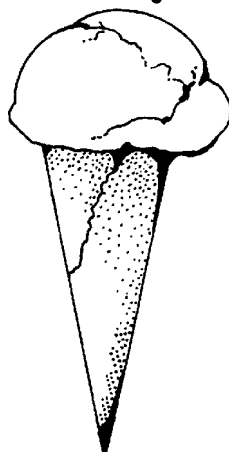
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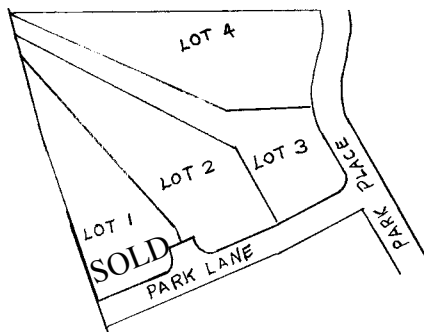
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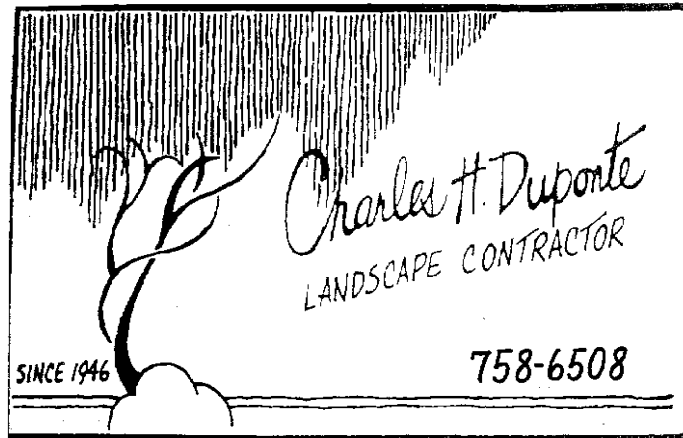
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Under **ARTICLE 17**, voters were asked to accept an appropriation of \$171,784 in state Chapter 90 funds for repairs and renovations to roads in Rochester.

Article 17 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 18, which would have asked voters to transfer money from Free Cash into the town's Stabilization Fund, was unanimously tabled.

There being no further articles to consider, Rochester's Annual Town Meeting adjourned for the evening at 10:31 pm.

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Tri-Town Tennis

The **Seventh Annual Summer Tennis Program Sign-Up Day** for Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester and surrounding communities will be **Saturday, June 17** from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at the tennis courts at Old Rochester Regional High School (ORR). The programs, sponsored by the non-profit Mattapoisett Community Tennis Association (MCTA), include: (1) ORR Tennis Clinics for Grades 1-12 (2) ORR Adult Clinics (3) MCTA Adult Clinics (doubles skills and strategies) (4) MCTA lessons (1 to 2 players per session) (5) Seventh Annual (June 24) MCTA (FUN) Tennis Tournament (6) Seniors Drop-In: (Generally mixed doubles) (7) Adult Drop-In; Any format, male and female, all levels. For more information, please call 508-758-6258.

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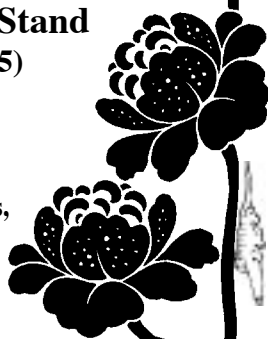
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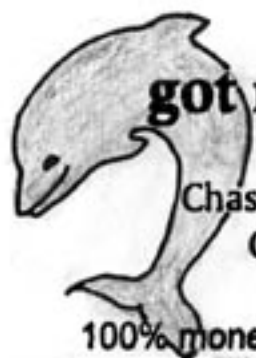
- **MCTA Clinic for Adults** at Center School Courts, Bob Brown Instructor - 508-758-6258. (Doubles skills and strategies), groups of four players. Session I, Tuesdays, June 20 - August 1, 5:00 to 6:00 pm, 6 hours, \$60 per person. Session II, Tuesdays, August 8 - September 12, 5:00 to 6:00 pm, 6 hours, \$60 per person.

- **MCTA Lessons** (1or 2 players).at Center School Courts, Bob Brown, Instructor - 508-758-6258. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. June 19 - August 28, 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, by appointment. Individual cost is \$25 per hour, \$15 per half-hour. Group of two, cost is \$15 per hour per person.

- **Seventh Annual (FUN) Tennis Tournament** at ORR Courts. Director - Wayne Miller 774-206-3008. Saturday, June 24, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Entry Fee \$5 for members, and \$15 for non-members (\$10 goes to membership). Please make checks payable to MCTA. Level: Intermediate (3.0 to 4.0 NTRP rating).

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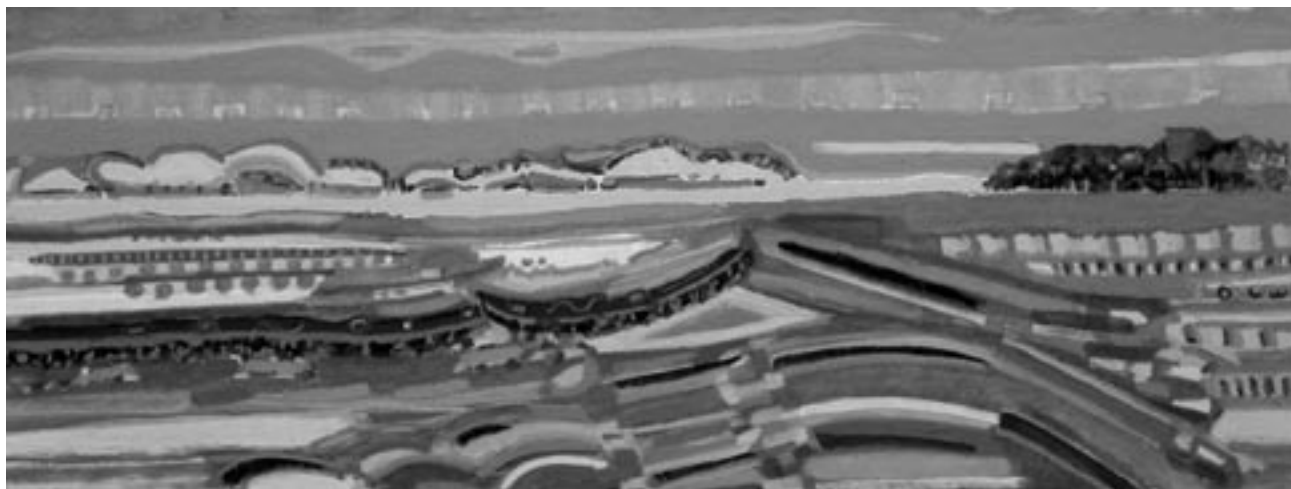
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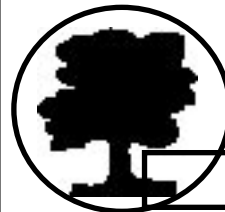
The first sessions for boys will be held from **July 10 - July 13**. Boys presently in Grades 4, 5, and 6 (school year 2005-06) will attend from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Boys presently in Grades 7, 8, and 9 (school year 2005-06) will attend from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

The second sessions for girls will be held from **July 17 - July 20**. Girls presently in Grades 4, 5 and 6 (school year 2005-06) will attend from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Girls presently in Grades 7, 8 and 9 (school year 2005-06) will attend from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

At this time there are openings in all sessions, so there is still time to send in your registration forms.

The camp focuses on the fundamentals and development of shooting, passing, dribbling, ball handling, rebounding, post play, as well as individual and team defense. The camp counselors who assist Coach Regan will be former and current players from Old Rochester as well as coaches from the local area.

The cost of the camp is \$105 per session. Registration forms were distributed in the local schools in April, but if needed can be obtained on the camp website at orr.mec.edu/~rregan/ttbc.html. For questions or more information, please e-mail him at rickereg@comcast.net. We look forward to seeing you there!



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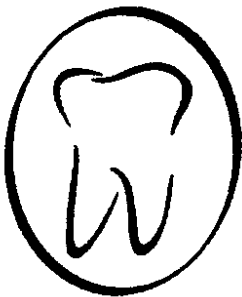
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• **Soccer Tryouts:** The Mariner Youth Soccer Club's MAPLE program will be holding tryouts for the 2006-2007 season during the month of June. The Mariner MAPLE program offers the highest level of competitive and developmental opportunities to talented youth soccer players, ages 9 thru 18 years old, from throughout the



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SouthCoast region. Mariner MAPLE teams compete in the Massachusetts Premier League (MAPLE), the top competitive youth soccer league in the state. Teams train twice per week, with games played on Sundays. Tryouts will be held from 5:30 to 7:00 pm for the following age groups:

- U11 Girls (Birth date 8/1/95 – 7/31/97) tryout date: **June 13;**
- U11 Boys (Birth date 8/1/95 – 7/31/97) tryout date: **June 14;**
- U12 Girls (Birth date 8/1/94 – 7/31/95) tryout date: **June 15;**
- U12 Boys (Birth date 8/1/94 – 7/31/95) tryout date: **June 16;**
- U13 Girls (Birth date 8/1/93 – 7/31/94) tryout date: **June 21;**
- U13 Boys (Birth date 8/1/93 – 7/31/94) tryout date: **June 22.**

The parent of any child who is interested in trying out but is unable to make the scheduled tryout date should contact Ray Cabral, Mariner Technical Director, at 508-728-1377.

The Mariner MAPLE program will also be sponsoring a **Developmental Program** for U10 Boys and Girls whose birth dates fall between August 1, 1996 – July 13, 1997. There is no need to try out for the U10 Developmental Program. Children interested in the U10 Developmental Program can register on any tryout date.

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at the Mariner Youth Soccer complex behind Lifestyles Plaza on Route 6 in Fairhaven. For more information, visit **www.marinersoccer.org**. The Mariner Youth Soccer Club is also accepting applications from licensed experienced soccer coaches to lead youth soccer teams in the Mariner MAPLE program. Interested coaches should submit their coaching resume and cover letter to Coach Raymond Cabral, Mariner Technical Director, at **rcabral@umassd.edu**.

• The **Mariner Soccer Academy** will run two five-day programs from **July 24-28** and **August 14-18**. Half and full-day programs are offered for players 6 to 18. Team training is also available. Each player will receive a T-shirt and skill ball as well as an evaluation from their staff coach. For a brochure or more information contact **Ray Cabral at 508-728-1377 or rcabral@umassd.edu**.

The **Mariner Youth Soccer Organization's MAPLE Program** is a regional program that offers the highest level of competitive and developmental programs to many of the most talented 9 to 18 year-old soccer players from throughout the SouthCoast region, including children from the towns of Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester, Acushnet, Dartmouth, New Bedford, Wareham, Lakeville and Freetown. The Mariner MAPLE teams compete in the Massachusetts Premier League (MAPLE), the top competitive youth soccer league in the state. Teams train twice per week, with most games played on Sundays. Training sessions and home games are held at the Mariner Youth Soccer complex behind Lifestyles Plaza



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- Second Place (three-way tie): **Joyce Nardella, June Clancy, Carola Vonkapff, Linda Burke and Kay Ladd; Jone Holway, Marilyn Wilbur, Elise Coyne and Karen Jaworski; and Ruth Gorman, Pat Grace and Lilian Harwood.**

The closest-to-the-pin winner was **Nancy Rose** on Hole #3 and Hole #17.

Please send ideas, comments and suggestions to: Sports, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, e-mail releases to news@wanderer.com, or fax, 24-hours-a-day, to 508-758-4845.

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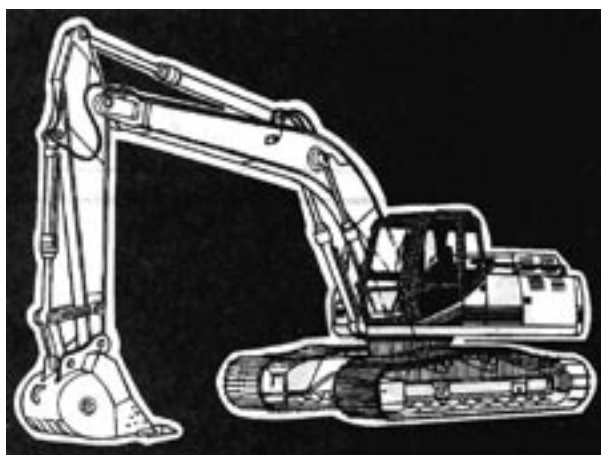
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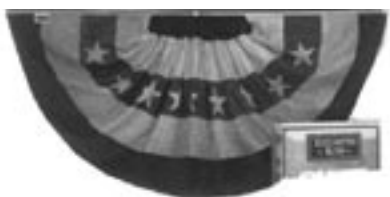
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The best time for a small business owner to respond to a disaster is before it happens.

A relatively small investment of time and money now may prevent severe damage and disruption of life and business in the future. Small businesses in Massachusetts are as susceptible to some kind of disaster — flood, hurricane, earthquake, ice storm, wildfires and landslide — as small businesses in the rest of the country. Man-made disasters — oil spill, terrorist

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Protecting critical records by making backup copies and storing those records in a secure, offsite location will save time and money. Business owners should meet with their insurance agent to make sure they understand exactly what is covered. And buying business interruption insurance can cover lost profits and necessary expenses while the company is out of operation. The building should be examined to identify the risks based on its geographic area. Common-sense measures and communication with employees, suppliers, customers, the local

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Dr. Crabbe is proficient in a wide variety of chiropractic techniques including Diversified, Gonstead, Thompson, Toggle-Recoil, Activator, SOT, Logan, and Flexion/Distrraction. This allows her to adapt to the varying needs of her patients, who range from infants just a few days old to seniors in their 90's. When she's not in the office, she likes to be outdoors enjoying flowers and birds, hiking, exploring, and traveling.

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Sincerely,
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The second meeting for the Mattapoisett Land Trust Bird Club is scheduled for Thursday, June 8 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm, in the cafeteria of Center School. The first meeting of 31 people showed enormous diversity of residence (five different towns), experience (novice to semi-pro), and ages (from 8 to 80).

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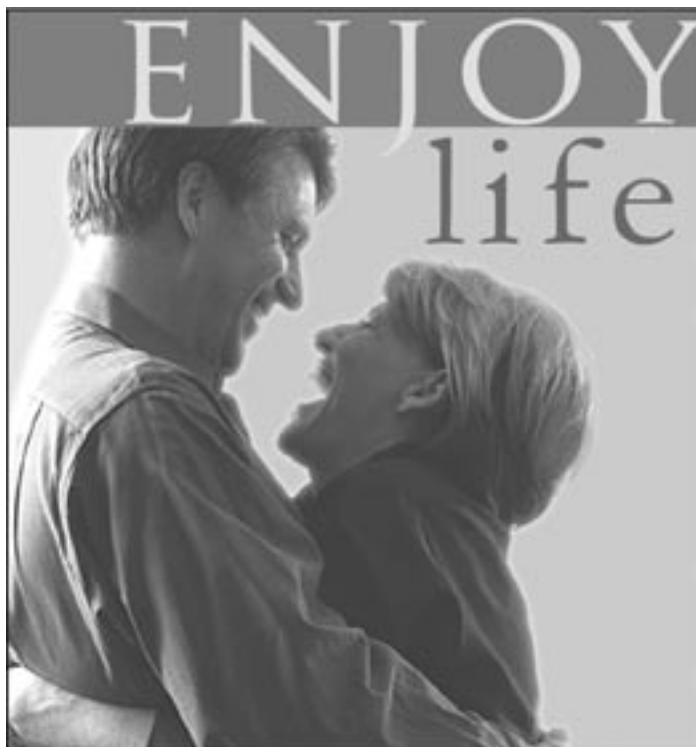
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Moorings in Marion

On Thursday, June 15, the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society will present a slide lecture on the history of the Moorings on Converse Point, Marion. At the beginning of the 20th century, the Moorings was one of the most impressive estates on all of Buzzards Bay.

Frank McNamee, Director of the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society, and Pete Smith, Curator, will give an interesting lecture and slide presentation outlining the history of this great estate.

This will take place at Saint Gabriel's Parish Hall on South Street, Marion at 6:00 pm. The lecture will be followed by a reception at the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society Museum on the corner of Front and Main Streets as well as a dedication of the Golden Age Room in memory of Peter Converse, whose family built the original Moorings. Peter was a longtime director and supporter of the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society.

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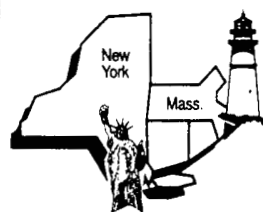
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Mattapoisett Book Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library are getting ready for their annual book sale to be held Thursday, July 13 from 9:00 am until 6:00 pm and Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, this year at the Congregational Church, Church Street, Mattapoisett.

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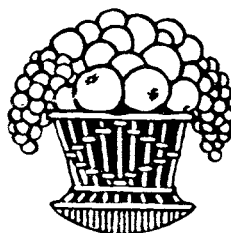
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Parkinson's Group

The next support group meeting for Parkinson's Disease will be held on June 8 at the Dartmouth Council on Aging (COA) beginning at 1:00 pm.

PawSox

Join the Marion COA for a trip to the Pawtucket Red Sox game on July 20. Game time is 12:05 pm. Reservations are needed and space is limited (508-748-3570).

Damien's Pantry

The COA van will be providing transportation the first Thursday of the month to Damien's Pantry in Wareham. Please call 508-748-3570 to arrange for a ride.

Rochester Grange Awards

It has been a busy year so far. The Rochester Grange turned 100 years old in February, and their wonderful celebration was in April and at their May meeting they were proud to award two Community Service Awards. Eighty-two people turned out on a recent Wednesday night to help honor some very deserving townspeople. The Grange gives these awards to non-



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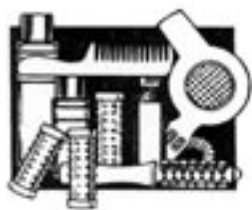
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This year's National Grange Community Citizen Award went to **Jill Finnerty-Taylor**, founder of "Making Spirits Bright" (MSB). Jill's organization, though only seven years old, has already made a difference in so many lives, not just in Rochester but in the whole Southeastern area. At Christmas over 50 families were given grocery boxes that included the fixings for a complete turkey dinner. Groceries and other items are again given to families in need at Easter. One hundred children had a brighter Christmas due to the toys, school supplies and necessary items such as coats that were so generously donated to this wonderful organization. MSB works with South Coast Hospice in Fairhaven, also their nursing department to brighten the lives of chronically and terminally ill children. Children who have suffered through the loss of a loved one are also aided. Some are able to attend "Camp Angel Wings" bereavement camp where they are helped to cope with their loss and to have some fun as well.

Jill and her volunteers work for the most part quietly and with little fanfare. She encourages families to get involved in helping others and to teach children to give to others who are different than themselves. She believes this can make the biggest difference in our lives and the lives of others. The Rochester Grange believes she and all in her organization deserve not just this award but the praise and support of all for their dedication to making the community a better place.

The second award of the night was the State Junior Grange Award for Community Service. This is given to children 14 years of age or younger who in some way help others. Mr. Craig Davignon and his fourth grade class along with Assistant Principal Susan Norton and Science Lab Teacher Mr. Kinsky were all present to receive

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this award. This year the class project, after some careful thought, became turtles and their protection and preservation. Through a great deal of research the children learned much about turtles. They also noted what happened to many when they tried to cross the area roads. "Turtle Power," as the project was known, began to grow.

Mr. Davignon with help from the other fourth grade teachers wrote grant proposals to raise funds. Thanks to the help of Rochester Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge, the town now has three large yellow signs that read "TURTLE CROSSING." These signs, complete with pictures of turtles have been placed at three known crossing sights in town. The children not only learned about turtles, but how to make things happen and become reality. Their concern for nature's more helpless creatures shows what we in Rochester have known all along, that we have a great bunch of young people who care about their surroundings and want to make a difference no matter how large or small.

Congratulations again to Mr. Davignon and his fourth grade class — Danielle Bassett, Emily Beaulieu, Jessica Belliveau, Christian Brown, Kyle Buler, Joshua Cronin, Morgan DaSilva, Christopher Demers, Ayla Gregoire, Jonathan Hathaway, Connor MacGregor, Zachary Mello, Amanda Michaud, Michael Pruchnik, Samuel Resendes, Zachary Rivera, Ryan Simcoe and Aryanna Taylor.

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Elizabeth Taber Library

Summer Programs

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- Reading Games – Pre-readers can help decorate the “Baby Bugs” wall each time they visit the library. Independent readers going into Grades 2-7 and/or family groups reading together can play the “Book Bug” game for fun, prizes and a good cause. This summer, thanks to the generosity of Lockheed Martin Sippican, Inc., the library is using time spent reading to support the work of Heifer International. Learn more about this on the library website or at the library.

- Junior Volunteers – Students going into Grades 5-9 can become junior library aides for the summer. Contact Ms. Marsha at the library or by e-mail at mrehkamp@sailsinc.org before June 22 for more information.

- Lunch Bunch – Children ages 7-9 can bring lunch (the library will supply dessert) and enjoy a read-aloud on Tuesdays at 12:30 pm.

- Steve the Magician – Steve Rudolph, magician, kicks off the summer program on Monday, June 26 at 2:00

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pm with a program ideal for ages 4 through adult. This performance is made possible in part by the Marion Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, and the Sippican Woman's Club.

- Frog Stories – Live animals help the Thornton W. Burgess Society's naturalist tell Grandfather Frog Stories on Tuesday, July 25 at 3:00 pm (for ages 3 and up). This program is made possible through the generosity of the Sippican Woman's Club.

- Sciences Isn't Always Pretty – Keith Michael Johnson will demonstrate to children ages 4 and up that "Sciences Isn't Always Pretty" on Monday, July 31 at 2:00 pm. This performance is made possible by the Eastern

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• Ice Cream Social – The End-of-the-Summer Program Ice Cream Sundae Social will be held on Friday, August 11 for everyone, of all ages, who enjoyed reading at the library during the summer. It is made possible through the generosity of the Sippican Woman's Club.

Trustees Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Elizabeth Taber Library will be held on Thursday, June 8 at 7:00 pm. Key activities for this meeting will be the election of new Trustees and installation of the officers for the upcoming fiscal year.

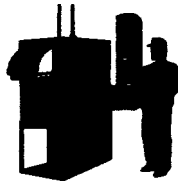
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The Elizabeth Taber Library is located at 8 Spring Street in Marion.

Mattapoisett Track Club

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Mattapoisett Teen Dances

The summer wharf dances sponsored by the Mattapoisett Track Club are scheduled to begin on Thursday, June 22. Hours for the dances are again 7:30 to 10:30 pm.

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Dances will conclude at 10:30 pm and parents who are driving are asked to pick up their children promptly, and to proceed one way along Water Street in an easterly direction (toward the town beach). People walking from the dance are reminded to be courteous of our neighbors. Police details, paid for by the Mattapoisett Track Club, will be patrolling the village area following the dance.

The Mattapoisett Track Club and its employees are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

PTA Fun Fair

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 10 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm for a day filled with friends and fun at Old Hammondtown School. Come and play with all your friends! Climb the rockwall, bounce in the moon house, win prizes playing games, make edible art with Sandy Candy, play water balloon volleyball and eat cotton candy! Don't miss your chance to dunk ... *Oops*, you'll

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Marion Recreation Programs

Marion Recreation is gearing up its summer programs including: youth swimming lessons; youth and adult sailing lessons; youth basketball pickup games; youth street hockey; Marion Mile Just for Kids; girls' field hockey clinic; adult and high school yoga; Marion Village 5K Run; and youth and adult kayaking lessons. Registration forms for all programs may now be found in the lobby of the Elizabeth Taber Library or online at www.marionrec.org.

Mattapoisett Cultural Council

The Local Cultural Council of Mattapoisett would like to invite the public to the library on June 13 at 7:00 pm to encourage new members to help keep funded activities in the town. They believe that arts and culture hold the power to inspire wonder, self-discovery and curiosity in each of us. They've seen arts and culture transform lives and communities. Come learn how the grant program works in keeping the cultural organizations, schools and local cultural activities going. Join as a member and be a part of the Mattapoisett Cultural Council making decisions for our towns arts and education. As the town's 150th anniversary approaches you can be a part of choosing the activities to benefit our local community. They would like to hear your thoughts, ideas and concerns and hope you can join them for this public meeting.

Driver Education Class

Enrollment for the next Driver Education Class at Old Rochester Regional High School is now taking place. Due to a change in state law, a student must be at least 15 years, 9 months of age on or before July 24, 2006 in order to enroll for the class. Students from ORR will be given first available seats.

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School Committee Meetings

Following is a schedule of School Committee meetings for the month of June:

- Monday, June 12 at 7:00 pm: Mattapoisett School Committee at Center School;
- Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30 pm: ORR District School Committee at ORR High School;
- Wednesday, June 14 at 6:30 pm: Marion School Committee at Sippican School; and
- Thursday, June 22 at 6:00 pm: Rochester School Committee at Memorial School.

Mattapoisett Bird Club

The second meeting for the Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) Bird Club is scheduled for Thursday, June 8 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the cafeteria of Center School. The first meeting of 31 people showed enormous diversity of residence (five different towns), experience (novice to semi-pro), and ages (from 8 to 80).

Continuing the theme of the first meeting, Mr. Labossiere, the Club's leader, will expand on techniques that can be use to increase your success and enjoyment as a bird watcher. Members will also be asked for suggestions for future activities. A one-time annual fee of \$10 (\$5 for MLT members) will be collected at sign-in.

The next bird-watching event will be held on Sunday, June 11, beginning at 6:30 am at the Park and Ride on North Street in Mattapoisett. Mr. Labossiere will lead participants to a whippoorwill walk in the Myles Standish State Forest. The walk is free and open to everyone, members and non-members, alike.

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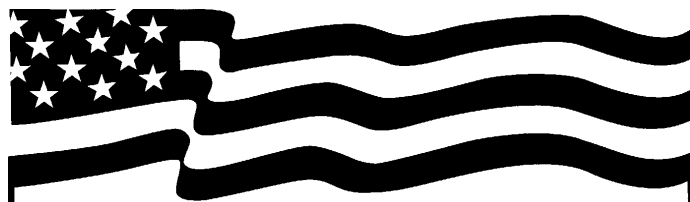
The Fair Committee is planning on integrating some new events into the fair that will coincide with this year's theme. Among the new events will be a "Family Movie Night Under the Stars." The old-fashioned movie night will take place on Saturday, July 22.

They will also introduce a "From the Attic Photo Exhibit" and "Then and Now Photo Contest," Baby Carriage Contest, Sock Hop Dance with The Relics, and a Bobcat Rodeo which is sponsored by Bobcat of Cape Cod. The town's favorite local band, The Relics, is also coordinating a Yesteryear Costume Contest following the parade!

Participants in the Parade and Costume Contest are welcome to represent something from the "Days of Yesteryear." It can be an era (the Roaring '20s or the Fabulous '50s); a popular TV show (*Happy Days*, *Little House on the Prairie*); a band or musician (The Beatles, Elvis); or a culture, person or event in time. The possibilities are endless!

This year's fair will also bring back other popular events such as the Town Ball Game, Woodsman Show, Tractor Pull and Show, Frog Derby, Bicycle Parade, Car Cruise, Tub Race, Bon Fire, and Fiddle Contest, just to name a few.

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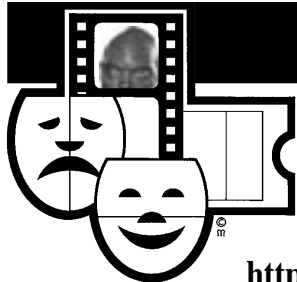
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MOVIE REVIEW

Sole Mates

By Rob Gonsalves

<http://www.robsmovievault.com>



The Break-Up. Starring Vince Vaughn and Jennifer Aniston. Directed by Peyton Reed. Running time: 105 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13.

Ten years after *Swingers*, with summer hits like *Dodgeball* and *Wedding Crashers* under his belt, Vince Vaughn is apparently a Hollywood player — measurable, in part, by a star's ability to get a project off the ground. *The Break-Up* is Vaughn's baby; he coproduced it and worked out the story with scripters Jeremy Garelick and Jay Lavender. It should surprise no one that Vaughn, who has an oily charm in comedic roles and an effective nervous tension in dramatic ones, has put together a comedy-drama for himself that takes advantage of most of what he has to offer as an actor, but doesn't push him an inch beyond that. In *The Break-Up*, Vaughn's standard lovable jerk is shown to be not so lovable on occasion, but since the emphasis is always on him, the movie comes across as an odd mix of star vehicle and self-flagellation. It's painless where it shouldn't be and painful where it shouldn't be.

Vaughn is Gary, a Chicago tour-bus guide who, at the film's start, works his bad-boy charm on art-gallery assistant Brooke (Jennifer Aniston). She falls for him and his line of patter, some time passes, and they wind up sharing a spacious condo — though on their salaries, I have to wonder about that. The movie gets going when Brooke gets tired of always being the responsible one in the relationship — the one who cooks, cleans, and basically enables Gary's protracted adolescence. *The Break-Up* seems to be missing its first half, where Brooke's resentments would be allowed to build naturally instead of seemingly arriving in a sneak attack, though I suppose the point is that all of this is news to Gary. Harsh words are exchanged, and the pair now find themselves sharing opposite ends of the spacious condo when neither one will move out.

The movie has very little time to devote to Brooke, though we get a few scenes of her commiserating with best bud Joey Lauren Adams (who I never thought I'd see playing a voice of wisdom with a husband and two kids, but time does fly). *The Break-Up* is mainly about Gary and how he has to change his ways if he hopes to win Brooke back. To its credit, the film gives Brooke's complaints their due. But Brooke is at fault on some level here, too; obviously there hasn't been much communication in this



relationship, and communication is supposed to go both ways. If Brooke hasn't established her needs and wants, she can hardly be surprised if Gary doesn't know what they are. The movie, however, assumes that only Gary needs refurbishing.

Director Peyton Reed assembles a large supporting cast (including Ann-Margret, looking animatronic) and then trots them out to do their specialties, scarcely letting them interact with anyone but Gary or Brooke. Judy Davis, who deserves better, does her pinched-urban-woman number as Brooke's boss at the gallery; Cole Hauser and Vincent D'Onofrio are wasted as Gary's brothers (and partners in the tour-bus business). The reteaming of Vaughn and his *Swingers* and *Made* cohort Jon Favreau promises more rapport than we get, since the rough bartender Favreau is playing doesn't give Vaughn as much to play off. In any event, Vaughn dominates all his scenes; when he isn't around, we're in a different movie about Brooke selling art and going on mortifying dates.

The Break-Up clearly wants to be more intelligent than it is, but its status as a summer comedy dictates not one but two swishy gay stereotypes, one of whom cements his obnoxiousness by singing "Owner of a Lonely Heart" and then karate-chopping Gary in the throat. A scene in which Brooke tortures herself (via bikini waxing) in order to torture Gary (by strolling past him naked) makes little sense and is merely part of the movie's tepid *War of the Roses* midsection wherein the couple behave like vengeful teenagers. And the movie won't add anything to gender enlightenment: Gary is all about sports and videogames, Brooke likes ballet — and that's about all she seems interested in that doesn't have anything to do with Gary. *The Break-Up* is unique, I suppose, in one respect: most movies of this type make you wonder why the estranged couple have come apart; this one makes you wonder why the hell they were ever together.

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Friday, June 9 through Thursday, June 15:
Cars (G) – 12:45, 1:15, 3:45, 4:15, 6:45, 7:10, 9:20, 9:40
The Omen (R) – 1:10, 4:15, 7:20, 9:45
The Break-Up (PG-13) – 12:15, 2:35, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30
X-Men: The Last Stand (PG-13) – 12:05, 1:00, 2:30, 3:55, 4:55, 7:05, 7:30, 9:30, 9:50
Over the Hedge (PG) – 12:10, 2:20, 4:25, 6:50, 8:50
Da Vinci Code (PG-13) – 12:00, 3:15, 6:45, 9:45
Mission Impossible III (PG-13) – 12:50, 4:00, 6:55, 9:35
See No Evil (R) – 1:15, 4:05, 7:15, 9:25
An American Haunting (PG-13) – 1:05, 3:20, 5:20, 7:30, 9:25
Poseidon (PG-13) – 4:10, 9:15
R.V. (PG) – 12:45, 7:00

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Movie Hotline: (508) 291-4100

Friday, June 9 through Thursday, June 15:
Cars (G) – 12:45, 4:05, 7:00, 9:30
The Omen (R) – 1:10, 4:15, 7:20, 9:45
The Break-Up (PG-13) – 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:05, 9:20
X-Men: The Last Stand (PG-13) – 1:00, 4:00, 7:10, 9:35
Over the Hedge (PG) – 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 6:50, 8:50
The Da Vinci Code (PG-13) – 12:20, 3:45, 6:55, 9:55
Poseidon (PG-13) – 1:15, 3:50, 7:20, 9:25
Mission Impossible III (PG-13) – 4:40, 9:20
R.V. (PG) – 12:25, 2:35, 7:15

• REGAL NICKELODEON 5 •
742 Nathan Ellis Highway, North Falmouth, MA.
Movie Line: 1-800-326-3264, theater code: 450

Friday, June 9 through Thursday, June 15:
Friends With Money (R) – Fri/Sat: 7:30, 9:25; Sun-Thu: 7:30
Kinky Boots (PG-13) – Fri: 3:25; Sat/Sun: 1:00, 3:25; Mon-Thu: 3:25
Lost City (R) – Fri: 3:35, 7:25; Sat/Sun: 12:30, 3:35, 7:25; Mon-Thu: 3:35, 7:25
The Break-Up (PG-13) – Fri: 3:15, 7:15, 9:20; Sat: 12:40, 3:15, 7:15, 9:20; Sun: 12:40, 3:15, 7:15; Mon-Thu: 3:15, 7:15
Thank You For Not Smoking (R) – Fri: 3:50, 7:10, 9:10; Sat: 1:10, 3:50, 7:10, 9:10; Sun: 1:10, 3:50, 7:10; Mon-Thu: 3:50, 7:10
Water (PG-13) – Fri: 3:45, 7:05, 9:20; Sat: 12:50, 3:45, 7:05, 9:20; Sun: 12:50, 3:45, 7:05; Mon-Thu: 3:45, 7:05



fair in general, please contact one of the committee members: Duffy Clapp (774-263-2393); Julie Koczera (508-763-9610); John Lafleur (508-989-6143); Dave Grime (508-763-3258); Bev Pierce (508-763-5503); or Brandon Bachiocchi (508-763-2654).

You can also visit the fair's website at www.rock-esterma.com.

Wine Tasting Benefit

The Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity (BBAHFH) is having a wine tasting benefit on Friday, June 9 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street in Marion. The Village Package Store of Mattapoisett will provide the wine. Wonderful culinary treats will also be provided by the Kinsale Inn of Mattapoisett, Turks on the Half Shell in Mattapoisett, the Shipyard Galley in Mattapoisett, Harriet's Catering in Marion, and the Mezza Luna in Buzzards Bay. Tickets may also be purchased at these locations. You may also call the office at 508-273-0225 to reserve tickets. Tickets are \$50 donation per person and are limited, so please order early to support this great cause.

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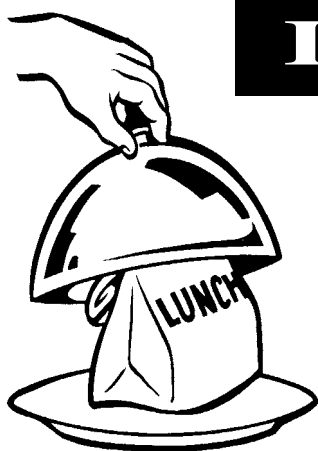
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• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, June 12: Corn chowder, sausage sub with peppers and onions, hot three-bean salad, French roll, orange.

Tuesday, June 13: Chicken breast dijon mustard sauce, red bliss potatoes, tarragon carrots, oatmeal bread, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Wednesday, June 14: Cheese lasagna, Italian blend vegetables, Scali bread, fruited jello, sugar-free jello.

Thursday, June 15: Roasted turkey with gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, squash, multigrain roll, apple pie, sugar-free graham wafer.

Friday, June 16: BBQ beef ribs, Delmonico potatoes, chuck wagon blend vegetables, rye bread, mixed fruit in light syrup.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, June 12: Chicken pattie in a roll, oven baked fries, tossed salad, fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, June 13: Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable, fruit, milk/water.

Wednesday, June 14: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, clam chowder, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, June 15: EARLY DISMISSAL (last day of school).

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, June 12: Chicken pattie in a roll, oven baked fries, tossed salad, fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, June 13: Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable, fruit, milk/water.

Wednesday, June 14: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, clam chowder, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, June 15: EARLY DISMISSAL (last day of school).

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, June 12: Shaved steak and cheese, hot dog,

mixed vegetables, potato chips, fruit.

Tuesday, June 13: Bacon burger, potato puffs, peas, fruit, pudding.

Wednesday, June 14: Rib-a-que, hash brown patties, corn, pineapple.

Thursday, June 15: Manger's Choice: assorted sandwiches.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, June 12: Chicken pattie in a roll, oven baked fries, tossed salad, fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, June 13: Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable, fruit, milk/water.

Wednesday, June 14: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, clam chowder, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, June 15: EARLY DISMISSAL (last day of school).

• OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JR. AND SR. HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, June 12: Chicken pattie in a roll, oven baked fries, tossed salad, fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, June 13: Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable, fruit, milk/water.

Wednesday, June 14: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, clam chowder, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, June 15: EARLY DISMISSAL (last day of school).

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, June 12: Chicken pattie in a roll, oven baked fries, tossed salad, fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, June 13: Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable, fruit, milk/water.

Wednesday, June 14: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, clam chowder, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, June 15: EARLY DISMISSAL (last day of school).



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INNER VIEWS

Politics (*Not*) As Usual

By Kenneth J. Souza
news@wanderer.com

Ah ... and with the final bang from Town Moderator Greenwood "Woody" Hartley's gavel closing Rochester's Annual Town Meeting this past week, the seemingly-never-ending political season in the tri-towns for 2006 has come to a close.

But, refreshingly, not with the usual indifference and shoulder-shrugging. Instead, 2006 can justifiably be called a benchmark year in terms of small-town politics in our communities of Mattapoissett, Marion and Rochester. It was great to see people actually *involved* in the process and working hard to affect change instead of simply settling for the same-old, same-old. And I have to applaud all the candidates, politicians, and special interest groups who actually took the time to offer voters something more than the usual uncontested ballot fare.

Rochester served to bookend the tri-town political season by first giving us one of the closest Selectmen's races in recent memory back in April, leading to a recount vote that ultimately gave the win to newcomer Dan McGaffey, just edging out incumbent Gary Laboa. Although Mr. Laboa will be missed, I also think change is not necessarily a bad thing.

As the saying goes: "familiarity breeds contempt."

The winds of change would continue to blow in Mattapoissett, where voters loudly voiced their opposition to changing the Highway Surveyor's position from an elected to an appointed one. Town Meeting easily defeated the will of the Board of Selectmen and later elected former Selectman Barry Denham to take over where longtime Highway Surveyor Wes Bowman left off. In just a few short weeks on the job, Mr. Denham has already made great strides ... not least of which by cleaning up and facilitating the reopening of the town's vandalized and defaced skateboard park which had been closed by the Board of Selectmen.

Although incumbent Steve Lombard also faced a formidable challenge from Steve Hanna, he managed to retain his seat on the Board of Selectmen. But first-time candidate Mr. Hanna made a respectable showing with 547 votes to Mr. Lombard's 667.

Most of the changes in Mattapoissett took place not in the ballot box, but on Town Meeting floor, where voters continued to voice their discontent over escalating tax rates and alleged overspending. Hats off to a small, vocal group of residents who at least made a valiant effort to get that message to town officials. Although not wholly successful in trimming the budget, I'm hopeful the town fathers will take their concerns to heart.

The biggest upset in the three towns has to go to Marion, where the last six months of infighting and bullying between members of the Planning Board, Board of Health and Board of Selectmen over clerical positions and the authority of Town Administrator Jack Dolan inevitably led to Selectman incumbent David Pierce's crushing defeat to Roger Blanchette. I had predicted a much closer race between the two, although I wasn't prepared to call a winner after what happened in Rochester earlier this year.

While I think Mr. Blanchette has previously demonstrated a commitment to the town on the Planning Board and other committees and I have no doubt he will do a fine job as newly-elected Selectman, I have to empathize with outgoing Selectman David Pierce having been caught up the maelstrom of Marion megalomania. In his case, I think voters just wanted *change* ... it didn't matter who. Mr. Blanchette was the sole challenger and he was easily swept into office by those who remain disconcerted with the powers-that-be.

There were certainly some other measures which just managed to cling to life — the Marion Police Department will finally get their new Police Station, despite a narrow four-vote margin; Rochester will retain its Historic District, despite the near-success of petitioners to rescind it and its decidedly headstrong committee; and Mattapoissett will get another crack at the years-in-the-making bike path, despite nearly losing state funding for the project — but regardless of whether you supported these options or not, by venturing out to Town Meeting or the ballot box on election day, your voice has been heard and your vote has been counted.

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- Barros Drive – disturbance/adult arrest (defacement of property, assault with dangerous weapon, disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, resisting arrest)
- Front Street – waterways complaint
- Inland Road – vandalism/past
- County Road – fireworks complaint
- Main Street – larceny/past
- Planting Island Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mill Street – trespassing
- West River Road – vandalism/past
- Front Street – noise complaint
- Doran Way – fraud
- Front Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Cross Neck Road – adult arrest (protective custody, resisting arrest)
- Point Road – suspicious person
- Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
- Point Road – gunshots reported
- Island Wharf Road – vandalism/past
- Pierce Street – assist other police department
- Planting Island Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Ichabod Lane – adult arrest (protective custody)
- Register Road – vandalism/in progress.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log highlights are for the week of May 28 through June 3, 2006:

- County Road – disturbance
- Acushnet Road – gunshots reported
- County Road – assault
- Marion Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- County Road – suspicious persons
- Oliver Street – disturbance
- Industrial Drive – suspicious motor vehicle
- Aucoot Road – civil complaint
- Hillside Avenue – domestic disturbance
- Noyes Avenue – general disturbance
- Reservation Road – vandalism
- County Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Martin Avenue – assist citizen
- Brant Beach Avenue – brush fire
- Mattapoissett Neck Road – burglary/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Marion Road – motor vehicle accident
- Fairhaven Road – weapons discharge
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident
- Crystal Spring Road – gunshots reported
- Shipyard Lane – unattended death
- County Road – robbery
- Angelica Avenue – vandalism
- Mechanic Street – motor vehicle accident
- Barstow Street – disturbance
- Shaw Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Reservation Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- North Street – family offense.

ROCHESTER

The following log highlights are for the week of May 30 through June 6, 2006:

- Snipatuit Road – restraining order service
- North Avenue – vandalism
- North Avenue – motor vehicle accident
- Randall Road – civil complaint
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious person
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious activity
- County Road – property found/lost/recovered
- Sarah Sherman Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mattapoissett Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- High Street – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- Bowens Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Pierce Street – breaking and entering
- Rounseville Road – trespassing
- Route 105 – motor vehicle accident
- Bassett Street – adult arrest (disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace).



CHANNEL 9 PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE

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Thursday, June 8, 2006

- 2:00 PM Army Newswatch
- 3:00 PM Adopt a cat: Mattapoissett cause for Paws
- 3:30 PM Café Central
- 4:00 PM Drawing with Dave
- 6:00 PM Around the Town with ORCTV- Courtney Thorn Cell "No place Like Home"
- 6:30 PM Inside The ORR with Superintendent Bill Cooper
- 7:00 PM Introduction to Tai Chi
- 8:00 PM No Place like Home
- 9:00 PM World at Your PC
- 9:30 PM Penny Dreadful Shilling Shocker

Friday, June 9, 2006

- 4:00 PM Neighbor to Neighbor with Arthur Lionberg - Hosted By: Don Cuddy
- 5:00 PM The Doctor is in

- 5:30 PM Swept Away TV
- 6:00 PM Army Newswatch
- 6:30 PM P.A.C.E. Monthly
- 7:00 PM Marion Music Hall 40 B Hearing - 6/8/06

Saturday, June 10, 2006

- 12:00 PM ORRJHS Presents: Multicultural Night
- 12:33 PM 3:00 PM Mark and Delia Owens Present: Secrets of the Savanna - 5/19/06
- 7:00 PM Rochester Memorial Presents: A Midsummer Night's Dream - 5/6/06

Sunday, June 11, 2006

- 10:00 AM Music and The Spoken Word
- 10:30 AM Café Central

Monday, June 12, 2006

- 3:00 PM No Place Like Home
- 4:00 PM ORR JRHS Presents: African Drum Assembly
- 5:00 PM ORR Presents Myth Project
- 6:00 PM Jeff Perry Report
- 6:30 PM White House Chronicle
- 7:00 PM Physician's Focus
- 7:30 PM P.A.C.E. Monthly
- 8:00 PM Capitol Perspectives with Senator Edward Kennedy
- 8:30 PM Commonwealth Report with Senator Pacheco
- 9:00 PM Polish Hour

Tuesday, June 13, 2006

- 2:00 PM Soundings
- 2:30 PM Wild Bills Watercolors
- 3:00 PM Physician Focus
- 3:30 PM Introduction to Tai Chi
- 4:00 PM Neighbor to Neighbor with Arthur Lionberg - Hosted By: Don Cuddy

- 5:00 PM Marion Music Hall 40 B Hearing - 6/8/06
- 7:00 PM Swept Away TV
- 7:30 PM Inside the ORR with Superintendent Bill Cooper
- 8:30 PM Around the Town with ORCTV- Courtney Thorn Sell "No Place Like Home"
- 9:00 PM No Place Like Home

Wednesday, June 14, 2006

- 2:00 PM Mark and Delia Owens Present: Secrets of the Savanna - 5/19/06
- 3:30 PM Wild Bills Water Colors
- 4:00 PM ORRJHS Presents: Multicultural Night
- 5:00 PM Patricia Akins Presents - sport Yoga
- 6:00 PM Army NewsWatch
- 6:30 PM Marion Selectmen's Meeting 6/13/06
- 9:00 PM The Doctor Is In

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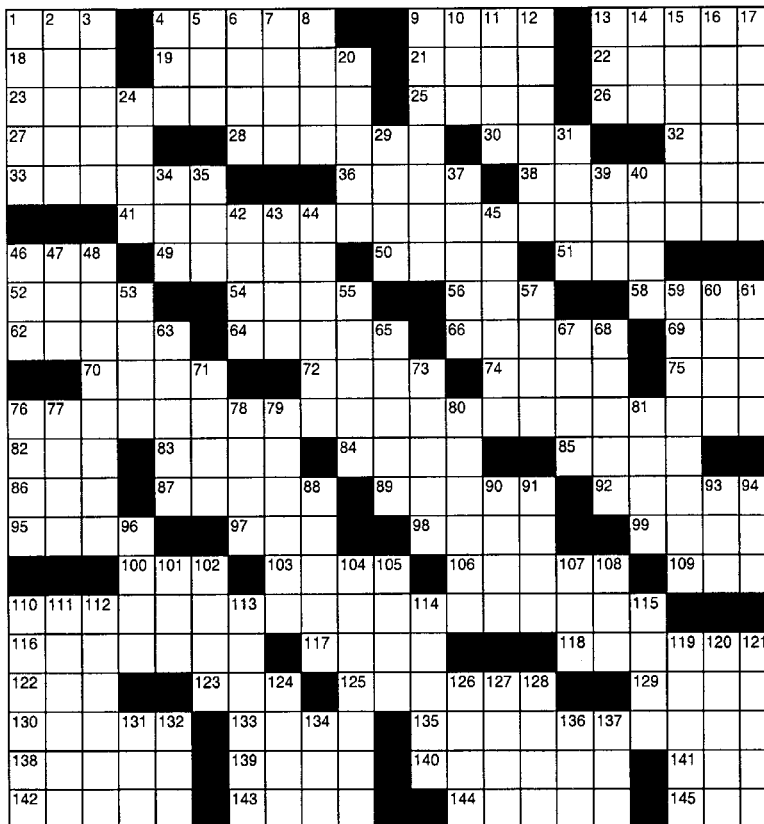
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Lots of possibilities begin to open up by midweek. Some seem more appealing than others. But wait for more facts to emerge later on before you consider which to choose.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Bravo to the determined Bovine. While others might give up, you continue to search for answers. Expect your Taurean tenacity to begin paying off by week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might want to consider stepping back from the task at hand for a while. This could help you get a better perspective on what you've done and what still needs to be done.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your keen Cancerian insight should help you determine whether a new offer is solid or just more fluff 'n' stuff. The clues are all there, waiting for you to find them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Being ignored is difficult for any proud Leo or Leona. But pushing yourself back into the spotlight might be unwise. Instead, let things work themselves out at their own pace.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Trying to uncover a colleague's secret under the pretext of showing concern is ill-advised. Control your curiosity in order to avoid raising resentment in the workplace.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Expect to hear good news about a loved one. Also, be prepared for some changes in several family relationships that could develop from this lucky turn of events.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Some surprises are expected to accompany a number of changes that will continue through part of next week. At least one could involve a romantic situation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might be upset by some of your critics. But most of your associates continue to have faith in your ability to get the job done, and done well.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A workplace goal that suddenly seems out of reach is no problem for the sure-footed Goat, who moves steadily forward despite any obstacles placed in his or her way.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Uncertainty about who is right and who isn't might keep you from making a clear-cut decision. Wait until you know more about what you're being asked to decide.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful to keep your emotions in check when dealing with a demanding personal situation. You need to set an example of strength for others to follow.

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<p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications and petition:</p> <p>Application of James C. & Joanela G. Cannell of 3 Water Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 3 Water Street. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a two-story porch that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 9, Lot 94 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 6:00 PM. #1040</p> <p>Petition of Jon A. Ruel of 1 Atkinson Way, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at Atkinson Way. The petitioner is seeking a Variance under Section 6.5 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a single-family dwelling that will not meet all the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 8, Lot 10 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 6:15 PM. #1041</p> <p>Application of John Boza of 220 Mt. Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02746 re property located at 58 Fairhaven Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Section 3.2 of the Zoning By-Law to continue to store a boat at the above address. The property is further described as Plat 11, Lot 81 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 6:30 PM. #1042</p> <p>Application of Joel M. Gandolfi of 159 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738 re property located at 10 Church Street Extension. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Section 3.1.2.2 of the Zoning By-Law to raze and reconstruct a new two-story, single family dwelling that will not meet the street (front) setback. The property is further described as Plat 8, Lot 168 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 6:45 PM. #1043</p> <p>Application of Katherine M. Reilly, Trustee of 23 Beacon Street Nominee Trust, of 15 Whittier Road, Needham, MA 02492 re property located at 23 Beacon Street. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Section 3.1.2.2 of the Zoning By-Law to demolish and reconstruct an existing nonconforming garage and extend the footprint which will not increase the nonconformity. The property is further described as Plat 8, Lot 91 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 7:00 PM. #1044</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Jeffrey R. Chase, Chairperson Jack R. McGill Nancy O'Brien Scott E. Pegurri Susan Akin 6/1, 6/8</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #930 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Dawn Gates-Allen, Braley Hill Road, Assessors plan 48 lots 10H, who is seeking a variance from frontage requirements under section VIII.B.1 to allow construction of a home on property without frontage on an accepted Town road. The public hearing will be on Thursday, June 22, 2006, 7:45 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way. Richard Manning Jr. Chairman 06/01, 06/08</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #923 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Carol S. Grime, 343 Neck Road, Assessors plan 26 lots 20C, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.C.2 to allow construction of a 20'x24' garage in the front yard area. The public hearing will be on Thursday, June 22, 2006, 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way. Richard Manning Jr. Chairman 06/01, 06/08</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF APPEALS #594. The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, June 22, 2006 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of John and Leslie Conway for a Special Permit under sections(s) 8.6 and 6.1.3 of the zoning by-law to allow conversion and reconstruction of a non-conforming garage to an apartment to be occupied by the owner's elderly father. The property, located at 61 Pleasant Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 66. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 06/01, 06/08</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF SELECTMEN A public hearing for a Class II Used Car License will be held upon the application of Donald P. Correia of 1 Lynfield Lane, Mattapoisett, MA to sell used cars on his property located at 89 County Road. Mr. Correia has already received Board of Appeals approval. Hearing will be held in the floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Tuesday, June 13, 2006 at 6:05 PM. Jordan C. Collyer, Chairman Stephen J. Lombard, Vice Chairman Raymond H. Andrews, Clerk 06/01, 06/08</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD The Marion Planning Board will hold a continued public hearing on Monday, June 19, 2006 at 7:30 PM in the Main Conference Room, Town Hall, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Special Permits and Site Plan Review submitted by THE SARDINHA FAMILY TRUST to construct a proposed Dunkin' Donuts and retail/office building at 450 Wareham Street. The site is further identified as Lot 49 on Marion Assessors' Map 13. Plans are available at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA, for review. Peter F. Winters, Chairman 06/08</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 21, 2006 at 7:10 PM in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Notice of Intent submitted by WILLIAM E. WEBER to reconstruct an existing licensed pier, ramp and float at 173 Front Street, further identified as Lot 75 on Marion Assessors' Map 14. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Norman A. Hills, Vice Chairman 06/08</p> <hr/> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>I found the Aardvark!</p> </div> <p>Each week we will give away an Aardvark Gift and each month we give away a special Aardvark Gift Basket to one lucky person. All you have to do to enter is find the Aardvark! 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Robert Linde recently assembled 115 color photographs in a hardcover book titled *South Coast Massachusetts*. Mr. Linde's vivid camera lens takes in this area's beautiful beaches and thriving vacation communities. The book is divided into four sections: "Gateway," which focuses on Onset and Wareham at the head of Buzzards Bay; "Old Rochester," the tri-towns of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester; "Working Harbor," waterfronts of Fairhaven and New Bedford; and "Country," encompasses the rural areas of Dartmouth and Westport. Mr. Linde will be on hand to sign books at the Opening Reception on June 16. Many of the images in this book as well as other original photographs will be installed in the two-person exhibition at the Art Center.

To add to the festive opening event, the Marion Art Center will host its own "Art in Bloom" with floral interpretations of the photographs by MAC members and members of the Marion Garden Discussion Group. The flower arrangements will also be on display Saturday, June 17 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

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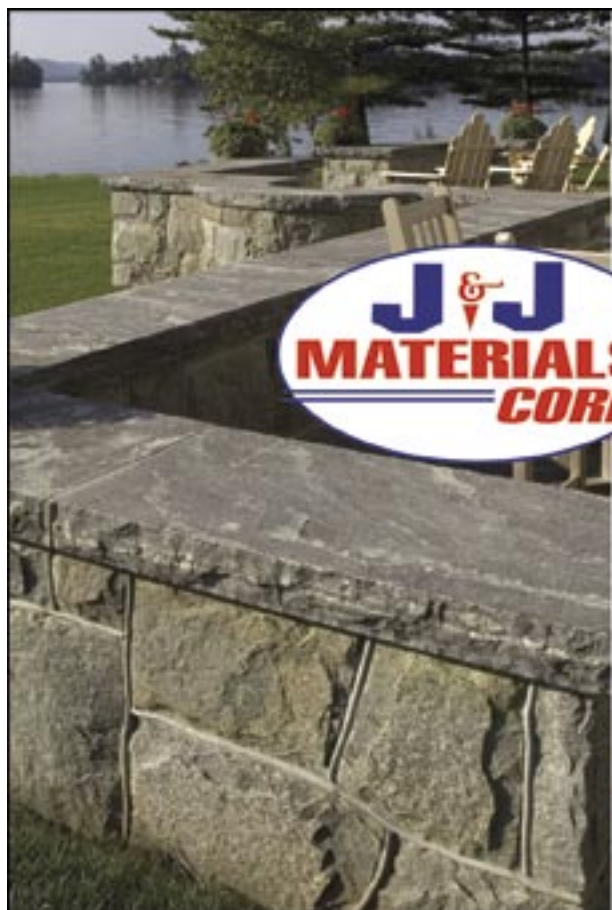
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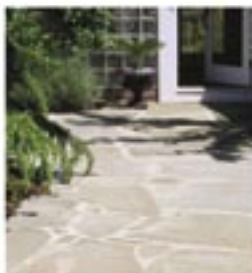
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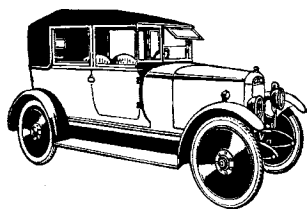
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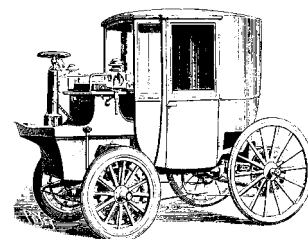




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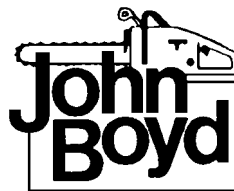
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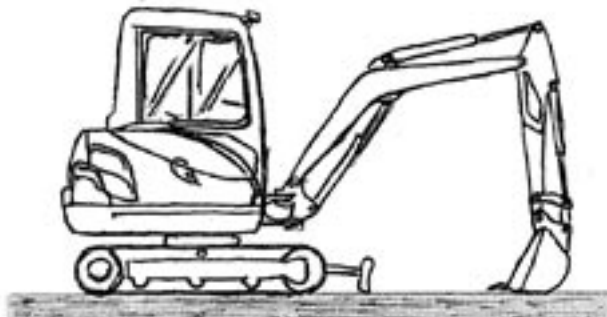
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Rochester Tree Challenge

The Rochester Green Ways Committee has also begun its Big Tree Challenge with prizes to be awarded at the Rochester Country Fair this August. The committee is asking residents to enter examples of large trees of any species in Rochester for consideration. Trees will be scored by girth and height, and the winner of each species will be recorded as well as win a prize. People may enter as many trees as they wish. For more information, please contact Laurene Gerrior at 508-763-4223 or stop by Town Hall for a checklist of Tree Species in Rochester and a Guide to Measuring Trees.



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June 8:	Thurs.	6:00	6:26	11:31	...
June 9:	Fri.	6:47	7:09	12:35	12:11
June 10:	Sat.	7:32	7:53	1:19	12:53
June 11:	Sun.	8:17	8:37	2:05	1:36
June 12:	Mon.	9:03	9:23	2:52	2:22
June 13:	Tues.	9:51	10:13	3:37	3:09
June 14:	Wed.	10:42	11:04	4:21	3:58
June 15:	Thurs.	11:36	11:58	5:05	4:51
June 16:	Fri.	...	12:30	5:51	5:48
June 17:	Sat.	12:53	1:26	6:41	6:57
June 18:	Sun.	1:49	2:22	7:36	8:31
June 19:	Mon.	2:47	3:20	8:35	10:02
June 20:	Tues.	3:47	4:20	9:32	11:06
June 21:	Wed.	4:48	5:21	10:23	11:59
June 22:	Thurs.	5:49	6:18	11:10	...
June 23:	Fri.	6:45	7:12	12:41	12:06
June 24:	Sat.	7:37	8:01	1:39	12:42
June 25:	Sun.	8:25	8:48	2:24	1:29

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